GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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DIVERSION OF FUNDS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the States which have been provided additional assistance by the Union Government for poverty alleviation programme during the last year and current year so far;

(b) whether the Union Government has received complaints regarding diversions of funds meant for poverty alleviation to other spheres during the said period;

(c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(d) the action taken by the Government thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU)

(a): The Ministry of Rural Development implements the major poverty alleviation Programmes namely, Swarnjayanti Gram Swarojgar Yojana (SGSY) and National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (NREGA).State-wise additional assistance over and above normal allocation given under SGSY during the last year i.e.2007-08 is given at Annexure-I. No additional assistance has been released to any State under NREGA.

(b)&(c): The Ministry of Rural Development has received complaints regarding diversion of funds under National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (NREGA) from States of Manipur and Uttar Pradesh,

(d): The details of the complaints and action taken thereon is given at Annexure-II.